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Dr. Zbigniew K. Brzezinski
Assistant to the President
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The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Dr. Brzezinski:

I have enclosed a copy of a letter which I am forwarding to Scottie Campbell at OPM. The letter addresses my serious concerns about the CIA's inclusion in Chapter 50 of the Classification and Compensation Act of 1979, the Federal pay reform package recently sent to the Hill.

The Agency has, as you know, been consistently exempted from such legislation, and the Administration, most recently in the context of the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978, has made clear that it endorses that practice in order to insure that the Director of Central Intelligence retains the broad personnel authorities necessary for the maintenance of an effective intelligence service.

As currently drafted, Chapter 50 leaves open the possibility of a delegation of Presidential authority opening sensitive CIA personnel matters to review by outside parties. This is in direct opposition to the President's instructions that every effort be made to prevent proliferation of sensitive intelligence information within the Executive Branch, and in derogation of my ability to fulfill my statutory responsibility for the protection of intelligence sources and methods.

Attorneys from my Office of Legislative Counsel have already briefed both Madeleine Albright and Robert Kimmitt of your staff on this issue, and I feel it is important enough to be brought to your personal attention. I am quite willing to take the issue to the President if it becomes necessary. Any suggestions you might have or assistance you might lend would, as always, be appreciated.

Yours sincerely,
/s/ Stansfield Turner

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